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# Saturated 2-plane drawings with few edges

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## Abstract

A drawing of a graph is  $k$ -plane if every edge contains at most  $k$  crossings. A  $k$ -plane drawing is saturated if we cannot add any edge so that the drawing remains  $k$ -plane. It is well-known that saturated 0-plane drawings, that is, maximal plane graphs, of  $n$  vertices have exactly  $3n-6$  edges. For  $k > 0$ , the number of edges of saturated  $n$ -vertex  $k$ -plane graphs can take many different values. In this note, we establish some bounds on the minimum number of edges of saturated 2-plane graphs under various conditions.

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# Nasičene 2-ravninske risbe z malo povezavami

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## Povzetek

Risba grafa je  $k$ -ravninska, če vsaka povezava vsebuje največ  $k$  presečišč.  $k$ -ravninska risba je nasičena, če ne moremo dodati nobene povezave, tako da bi risba ostala  $k$ -ravninska. Dobro znano je, da imajo nasičene 0-ravninske risbe – maksimalni ravninski grafi na  $n$  vozliščih – natančno  $3n-6$  povezav. Za  $k > 0$  lahko število povezav nasičenih  $n$ -vozliščnih  $k$ -ravninskih grafov zavzame mnogo različnih vrednosti. V tem prispevku določimo nekatere meje minimalnega števila povezav nasičenih 2-ravninskih grafov pri različnih pogojih.

*Ključne besede:* Nasičena risba, 2-ravninski, grafi, praznjenje.

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